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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 DANIEL DURBAN,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 GOLDEN STATE WATER  
14 COMPANY,

15 Defendant.

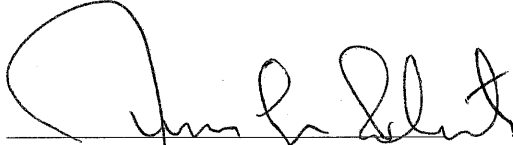
CASE NO. C17-1483JLR

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

16 Plaintiff Daniel Durban brought this suit against Defendant Golden State Water  
17 Company ("GSW"), alleging that GSW "illegally placed a contaminant[] in their water  
18 system," causing Mr. Durban to become ill. (Compl. (Dkt. # 1) at 2.) Mr. Durban filed  
19 an identical complaint against GSW on October 23, 2017. *See Durban v. Golden St.*  
20 *Water Co.*, No. C17-1570MJP, Dkt. # 1 (W.D. Wash.). The court dismissed this later suit  
21 because venue was improper; Mr. Durban was urged to refile the suit in the proper  
22 district. *See id.*, Dkt. # 4 at 1-2.

1 The same seems to be true here. GSW—a California company—does not reside in  
2 the Western District of Washington. (Compl. at 1); 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(1). Moreover,  
3 the events complained of seems to have occurred in California, not Washington. (*See id.*  
4 at 2-3); 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(2). If venue is improper, then the court “shall dismiss, or if  
5 it be in the interest of justice, transfer such case to any district or division in which it  
6 could have been brought.” 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a). Accordingly, the court ORDERS Mr.  
7 Durban to show cause why venue is proper in this matter under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)  
8 within ten (10) days of the date of this order. If Mr. Durban fails to respond or otherwise  
9 demonstrate proper venue, the court will dismiss the action without prejudice pursuant to  
10 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a).

11 Dated this <sup>ND</sup>22 day of November, 2017.

  
JAMES L. ROBART  
United States District Judge